

(l) *Storage or shipment.* The Contractor shall promptly arrange for either the shipment or the storage of special tooling specified in accordance with the final disposition instructions in subdivisions (j)(1)(ii) or (j)(1)(iii) of this clause. Tooling to be shipped shall be properly packaged, packed, and marked in accordance with the directions of the Contracting Officer. All operation sheets or other appropriate data necessary to show the manufacturing operations or processes for which the items were used or designed shall accompany special tooling to be shipped or stored or shall otherwise be provided to the Government as directed by the Contracting Officer. To the extent that the Contractor incurs costs for storage, shipment, packing, crating, or handling under this paragraph and not otherwise compensated for, the contract price shall be equitably adjusted in accordance with the Changes clause of this contract.

(m) *Equitable adjustment.* When this clause specifies an equitable adjustment, it shall be made to any affected contract provision in accordance with the procedures of the Changes clause. When appropriate, the Contracting Officer may initiate an equitable adjustment in favor of the Government. The right to an equitable adjustment shall be the Contractor's exclusive remedy. The Government shall not be liable to suit for breach of contract for—

(1) Any delay in delivery of Government-furnished special tooling;

(2) Delivery of Government-furnished special tooling in a condition not suitable for its intended use;

(3) A decrease in or substitution of special tooling; or

(4) Failure to repair or replace Government-furnished special tooling for which the Government is responsible.

(n) *Subcontract provisions.* In order to perform this contract, the Contractor may place subcontracts (including purchase orders) involving the use of special tooling. If the full cost of the tooling is charged to those subcontracts, the Contractor agrees to include in the subcontract appropriate provisions to obtain Government rights and data comparable to the rights of the Government under this clause (unless the Contractor and Contracting Officer agree in writing that such rights are not of interest to the Government). The Contractor agrees to exercise such rights for the benefit of the Government as directed by the Contracting Officer.

(End of clause)

[54 FR 48995, Nov. 28, 1989, as amended at 69 FR 17750, Apr. 5, 2004]

52.245-18 Special Test Equipment.

As prescribed in 45.307-3, insert the following clause:

SPECIAL TEST EQUIPMENT (FEB 1993)

(a) *Special test equipment*, as used in this clause, means either single or multipurpose integrated test units engineered, designed, fabricated, or modified to accomplish special purpose testing in performing a contract. It consists of items or assemblies of equipment, including standard or general purpose items or components, that are interconnected and interdependent so as to become a new functional entity for special testing purposes. It does not include material, special tooling, facilities (except foundations and similar improvements necessary for installing special test equipment), and plant equipment items used for general plant testing purposes.

(b) The Contractor may either acquire or fabricate special test equipment at Government expense when the equipment is not otherwise itemized in this contract and the prior approval of the Contracting Officer has been obtained. The Contractor shall provide the Contracting Officer with a written notice, at least 30 days in advance, of the Contractor's intention to acquire or fabricate the special test equipment. As a minimum, the notice shall also include an estimated aggregate cost of all items and components of the equipment the individual cost of which is less than \$5,000, and the following information on each item or component of equipment costing \$5,000 or more:

(1) The end use application and function of each proposed special test unit, identifying special characteristics and the reasons for the classification of the test unit as special test equipment.

(2) A complete description identifying the items to be acquired and the items to be fabricated by the Contractor.

(3) The estimated cost of the item of special test equipment or component.

(4) A statement that intra-plant screening of Contractor and Government-owned special test equipment and components has been accomplished and that none are available for use in performing this contract.

(c) The Government may furnish any special test equipment or components rather than approve their acquisition or fabrication by the Contractor. Such Government-furnished items shall be subject to the Government Property clause, except that the Government shall not be obligated to deliver such items any sooner than the Contractor could have acquired or fabricated them after expiration of the 30-day notice period in paragraph (b) of this clause. However, unless the Government notifies the Contractor of its decision to furnish the items within the 30-day notice period, the Contractor may

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proceed to acquire or fabricate the equipment or components subject to any other applicable provisions of this contract.

(d) The Contractor shall, in any sub-contract that provides that special test equipment or components may be acquired or fabricated for the Government, insert provisions that conform substantially to the language of this clause, including this paragraph (d). The Contractor shall furnish the names of such subcontractors to the Contracting Officer.

(e) If an engineering change requires either the acquisition or fabrication of new special test equipment or substantial modification of existing special test equipment, the Contractor shall comply with paragraph (b) above. In so complying, the Contractor shall identify the change order which requires the proposed acquisition, fabrication, or modification.

(End of clause)

[48 FR 42478, Sept. 19, 1983, as amended at 53 FR 27468, July 20, 1988; 53 FR 36028, Sept. 16, 1988; 54 FR 48997, Nov. 28, 1989; 57 FR 60589, Dec. 21, 1992]

52.245-19 Government Property Furnished "As Is."

As prescribed in 45.308-2, insert the following clause:

GOVERNMENT PROPERTY FURNISHED "AS IS"
(APR 1984)

(a) The Government makes no warranty whatsoever with respect to Government property furnished *as is*, except that the property is in the same condition when placed at the f.o.b. point specified in the solicitation as when inspected by the Contractor pursuant to the solicitation or, if not inspected by the Contractor, as when last available for inspection under the solicitation.

(b) The Contractor may repair any property made available on an *as is* basis. Such repair will be at the Contractor's expense except as otherwise provided in this clause. Such property may be modified at the Contractor's expense, but only with the written permission of the Contracting Officer. Any repair or modification of property furnished *as is* shall not affect the title of the Government.

(c) If there is any change in the condition of Government property furnished *as is* from the time inspected or last available for inspection under the solicitation to the time placed on board at the location specified in the solicitation, and such change will adversely affect the Contractor, the Contractor shall, upon receipt of the property, notify the Contracting Officer detailing the facts and, as directed by the Contracting Officer,

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either (1) return such property at the Government's expense or otherwise dispose of the property or (2) effect repairs to return the property to its condition when inspected under the solicitation or, if not inspected, last available for inspection under the solicitation. After completing the directed action and upon written request of the Contractor, the Contracting Officer shall equitably adjust any contractual provisions affected by the return, disposition, or repair in accordance with the procedures provided for in the Changes clause of this contract. The foregoing provisions for adjustment are the exclusive remedy available to the Contractor, and the Government shall not be otherwise liable for any delivery of Government property furnished *as is* in a condition other than that in which it was originally offered.

(d) Except as otherwise provided in this clause, Government property furnished *as is* shall be governed by the Government Property clause of this contract.

(End of clause)

[48 FR 42478, Sept. 19, 1983, as amended at 54 FR 48997, Nov. 28, 1989]

52.246-1 Contractor Inspection Requirements.

As prescribed in 46.301, insert the following clause:

CONTRACTOR INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS (APR 1984)

The Contractor is responsible for performing or having performed all inspections and tests necessary to substantiate that the supplies or services furnished under this contract conform to contract requirements, including any applicable technical requirements for specified manufacturers' parts. This clause takes precedence over any Government inspection and testing required in the contract's specifications, except for specialized inspections or tests specified to be performed solely by the Government.

(End of clause)

[48 FR 42478, Sept. 19, 1983, as amended at 60 FR 34762, July 3, 1995]

52.246-2 Inspection of Supplies—Fixed-Price.

As prescribed in 46.302, insert the following clause:

INSPECTION OF SUPPLIES—FIXED-PRICE (AUG 1996)

(a) Definition. *Supplies*, as used in this clause, includes but is not limited to raw